

IOWA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS PRESS RELEASE

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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners took the following action:

Stephen C. Adler, M.D., a 62 year-old physician formerly practicing in Moline, Illinois, had disciplinary charges filed against his Iowa medical license. The Board charged Dr. Adler with pleading guilty to a felony in the state of Illinois in violation of Iowa law. On November 17, 2000, Dr. Adler was arrested and charged with knowingly soliciting a child to perform a sexual act in violation of Illinois law, a felony. On March 1, 2004, Dr. Adler pleaded guilty to the felony in Illinois and he was sentenced to 180 days in county jail, two and one half years probation as a sex offender and he was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine. A hearing is scheduled in this matter for July 6, 2004.

Charles C. Cook, M.D., a 50 year-old physician from Bettendorf, Iowa, had disciplinary charges filed against his Iowa medical license. The Board charged Dr. Cook with pleading guilty to a felony in violation of Iowa law and with the inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety due to the excessive use of drugs. On October 31, 2003, Dr. Cook pleaded guilty to a felony, in Scott County District Court, Iowa. Dr. Cook was charged with fraudulently obtaining controlled substances without a legitimate prescription. The Board also received information indicating that Dr. Cook was treated for an apparent drug overdose and that he continues to suffer from a serious substance abuse problem. Dr. Cook has a long history of substance abuse and medical board disciplinary action in Arkansas and Iowa. Dr. Cook's Arkansas medical license was suspended due to substance abuse in 1998 and 2001 and his Iowa medical license was suspended in 2002. A hearing is scheduled in this matter for July 6, 2004.

Joel M. Kosinski, M.D., a 57 year-old surgeon formerly practicing in Marshalltown, Iowa, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board. The Board charged Dr. Kosinski with violating the terms of a Board Order and with the inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety due to the excessive use of alcohol. The Board received information indicating Dr. Kosinski consumed alcohol on at least one occasion in violation of the terms of the Settlement Agreement that he had entered into with the Board to resolve earlier charges of alcohol abuse. Dr. Kosinski was originally charged with the excessive use of alcohol in 1996. Under the terms of the latest Settlement Agreement, Dr. Kosinski's Iowa medical license was suspended for ninety (90) days and placed on probation for a period of five (5) years subject to certain terms and conditions due to alcohol abuse.

Duane F. Mabeus, M.D., a 72 year-old physician from Hayden, Idaho, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Iowa Board. The Iowa Board charged Dr. Mabeus for being disciplined by another licensing authority in violation of Iowa law. On January 29, 2001, the Department of the Air Force suspended Dr. Mabeus' clinical privileges due to serious quality of care concerns regarding his care and treatment of a patient. The Air Force concluded that Dr. Mabeus failed to order appropriate lab tests, failed to admit the patient to the intensive care unit and failed to seek the appropriate medical consultation. The Air Force further concluded that Dr. Mabeus' failures could have resulted in irreversible injury or death. Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement entered into with the Iowa Board, Dr. Mabeus voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license.

Daniel E. Miulli, D.O., a 44 year-old physician practicing in Moreno Valley, California, had disciplinary charges filed against his Iowa medical license. The Board charged Dr. Miulli with violating an order of the Board when he failed to pay an expert witness deposition fee in a timely manner as ordered. On January 18, 2001, the Iowa Board filed charges against Dr. Miulli's Iowa medical license due to serious quality of care concerns. On June 26, 2001, Dr. Miulli deposed one of the State's expert witnesses in the disciplinary case and Dr. Miulli was responsible for payment of the witnesses' deposition fee. On October 19, 2001, the Board issued an Order directing Dr. Miulli to pay the deposition fee within thirty (30) days. To date, Dr. Miulli has failed to make full payment of the deposition fee despite numerous attempts by the Board to collect the fee. A hearing is scheduled in this matter for July 6, 2004.